

## Message Text

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FOR: TOM SMITH, AF/W, FROM THE AMBSSADOR

INFO ADDRESSEES FOR THE AMBASSADOR/CHARGE

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: EAID, UV  
SUBJ: AID ACCELERATED IMPACT PROGRAM

REF: OUAGADOUGOU 3112 (NOTAL)

1. I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR LOOKING INTO THE DRASTIC CUT THAT HAS REPORTEDLY BEEN MADE IN FUNDS FOR ACCELERATED IMPACT PROGRAM (AIP) PROJECTS. THE REDUCTION OR ELIMINATION OF AIP PROJECTS WOULD BE, IN MY OPINION, DETERIMENTAL TO OUR POSITION IN UPPER VOLTA, AND INDEED TO THE AID PROGRAM ITSELF. AIP PROJECTS ARE IMPLEMENTED QUICKLY AND ARE USUALLY HIGHLY VISIBLE.

2. WE ARE BEGINNING TO HEAR A FEW SKEPITCAL RUMBLINGS IN THE VOLTAN LEADERSHIP ABOUT OUR AID PROGRAM. WE NOW HAVE HAD AN EXPANDED AID PROGRAM HERE FOR TWO YEARS, BUT I HAVE ALMOST NOTHING TO SHOW FOR IT EXCEPT THE PRESENCE OF NUMEROUS AMERICANS-  
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BOTH RESIDENT AND TDY. WE ARE VULNERABLE TO CHARGES (AS YET

UNVOICED) THAT THE AMERICAN AID PROGRAM MAINLY PAYS AMERICANS.

3. THE MOST VISIBLE CONCRETE ACCOMPLISHMENTS I CAN POINT TO ARE SEVERAL R&R PROJECTS (PREDECESSORS OF THE AIP)- A VERY SLIM REED TO LEAN ON, EITHER WHEN TALKING ABOUT OUR AID PROGRAM IN PURELY ECONOMIC TERMS OR WHEN REFERRING TO THE AID PROGRAM FOR POLITICAL EFFECT IN POLITICAL DISCUSSIONS. IT IS DISTRESSING TO LEARN THAT THE VALUE OF THE AIP PROJECTS IS APPARENTLY LITTLE APPRECIATED BY AID/WASHINGTON.

4. THE ABOVE CONSIDERATIONS, OF COURSE, ARE SUPPLEMENTARY TO THE VERY GOOD ECONOMIC ARGUMENTS PRESENTED IN REFTEL IN FAVOR OF AIP PROJECTS.

5. IN SUM, IT MAKES NO SENSE TO CUT AIP-TYPE PROJECTS. ON THE CONTRARY, WE NEED MORE. I WOULD MUCH APPRECIATE IT IF YOU WOULD ENTER THESE CONCERNS INTO THE WASHINGTON DECISION-MAKING PROCESS.  
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